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Attorney Docket No. \$2481.1690

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 1624

Examiner: S. Patel

n re Application of:

Zaid JAYYOSI et al.

Application No.: 09/662,649

Filed: September 14, 2000

For: THERAPEUTIC USES OF DI-ARYL ACID DERIVATIVES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

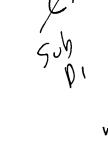
This Amendment responds to the Final Office Action dated February 6, 2002. The period for response has been extended by one month to June 6, 2002, by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time and corresponding fee filed with a Request for Continued Examination. Please reconsider this application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

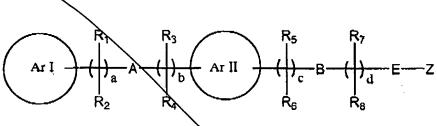
In the claims:

Please cancel claims 3-7, 9-14, 16-28, 32-37, 47-48, 70 and 93-95 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please also amend claims 1-2, 8, 15, 29-31, 54-55 and 97 and add new claims 102-103 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A compound of formula (I)





wherein:

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